Friday Bulletin

News from the Alaska State Libraries, Archives & Museums

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WANT A PRECONFERENCE ON PROJECT OUTCOME? TAKE OUR SURVEY!

The Alaska State Library is **interested** in sponsoring a <u>Project Outcome</u> Regional Training event in Alaska. During this event an expert trainer would facilitate a deep-dive training into outcome measurement using the Project Outcome tools. This event will be designed to provide librarians with the training they need to implement outcome measurement to drive change, influence decision-making and demonstrate the true impact of their library's programs and services to the community. We are considering offering this event as a pre-conference during the <u>Alaska State Library Association Conference</u> which is scheduled to take place in Ketchikan, February 23-26th, 2017. The Project Outcome Regional Training pre-conference would be scheduled on Thursday, February 23rd and would be held in the Ketchikan Civic Center.

Please let us know if you would be interested in attending this *free* Project Outcome Regional Training preconference by completing this two question survey. https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/outcomeaklapreconference

OWL WEEK OF 8/1/2016: FRENCH, WOLVES AND SOCIAL SECURITY.

Last week OWL videoconference network usage included a French language discussion group, Social Security hearings and featured a session on the <u>Gray Wolves of Alaska.</u>

If you're a library wishing to schedule a videoconference, use the <u>Videoconference Request Form</u>.

If you're an agency or organization wishing to use the OWL Videoconference Network for either group or one on one video conferencing to save travel dollars, contact your local library or OWL Program Manager Daniel Cornwall at daniel.cornwall@alaska.gov.

See what's on tap in the coming weeks on the OWL Videoconferencing Network by visiting http://library.alaska.gov/dev/owl.html.

NEWS FROM L.A.M.S IN ALASKA

UAF POSTS PHOTOS FROM WILLIAM A. EGAN PAPERS

In <u>a recent blog post</u>, staff at UAF's Rasmuson Library's Alaska and Polar Regions Collections & Archives describe their recent posting of photographs from the William A. Egan collection:

The William A. Egan Papers feature photos that belonged to William Allen "Bill" Egan, the first Alaska Governor who served from 1959 to 1966. He was reelected in 1970-1974. Egan's widow, Neva Egan, gave his papers to the Alaska and Polar Regions Collections & Archives. In 1985, a special appropriation from the Alaska State Legislature funded the processing of this important political collection. The photos were arranged and identified by India Spartz. The images depict public events, politicians and public officers, and the city of Juneau.

Not to engage in "can't top this" but we should mention that the Neva Egan Papers and Photographs, 1937-1998, are housed at the Alaska State Library Historical Collections with a <u>finding aid</u> created by Jim Simard.

OTHER ANNOUNCEMENTS

OLYMPIC FEVER AT THE NATIONAL ARCHIVES: MILITARY ATHLETES

From our friends at the National Archives Catalog:



This summer nineteen active and retired members of the US Armed Forces are competing in the 2016 Olympic Games in Rio. At prior Olympic games, military photographers captured images of the servicemen and women. These photographs are part of the series Combined Military Service Digital Photographic Files, 1982 - 2007.

TECHBOOMERS GOES POKEMON

If you need more detail on the Pokémon Go game taking the country by storm, check out TechBoomers course on the subject:

Pokémon Go description:

Pokémon Go is a scavenger hunt game for mobile devices. Use your GPS tracker to find and catch virtual creatures known as Pokémon, visit PokéStops to stock up on items, and then strengthen your Pokémon to battle and take on challenges at Pokémon Gyms.

Link to Pokémon Go course:

https://techboomers.com/p/pokemon-go

In other Pokémon Go news, we've received reports that Pokémon Go is fairly data intensive and so players are turning to wifi hotspots to save on their data plans. In some cases this appears to causing issues for other library patrons.

We currently have no advice for those wishing to block or limit wifi for Pokémon Go. We are researching this issue. If you've found a solution, please tell Daniel Cornwall at daniel.cornwall@alaska.gov what has worked at your institution.

LIBRARY SERVICES COURSES AVAILABLE FROM HIGHLINE COLLEGE

Thanks to Joyce McCombs in Delta Junction for passing along this opportunity:

<u>Highline College Library & Information Services Program</u> is offering two online library courses this fall quarter 2016:

- 1. LIBR 132 "Serving Diverse Communities" ONLINE for 5 credits this fall! "Examination of library services to diverse populations including, but not limited to, ethnicity, national origin, language, gender, age, disability (human exceptionalities), sexual orientation, and other differences. Focuses on proactively developing collections and services that foster an atmosphere of inclusion and which meet the needs of all the library's users."
- 2. **LIBR 122 "Public Services"** ONLINE for 5 credits this fall! "Explores the policies, procedures, and tools used in public services, with a focus on customer service. Students learn about patron privacy issues, collection management, and library safety & security. Communication, customer relations and problem solving will be explored in depth.

 Register now and classes begin **9/26!** Contact <u>lisinquiry@highline.edu</u> for more information.

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